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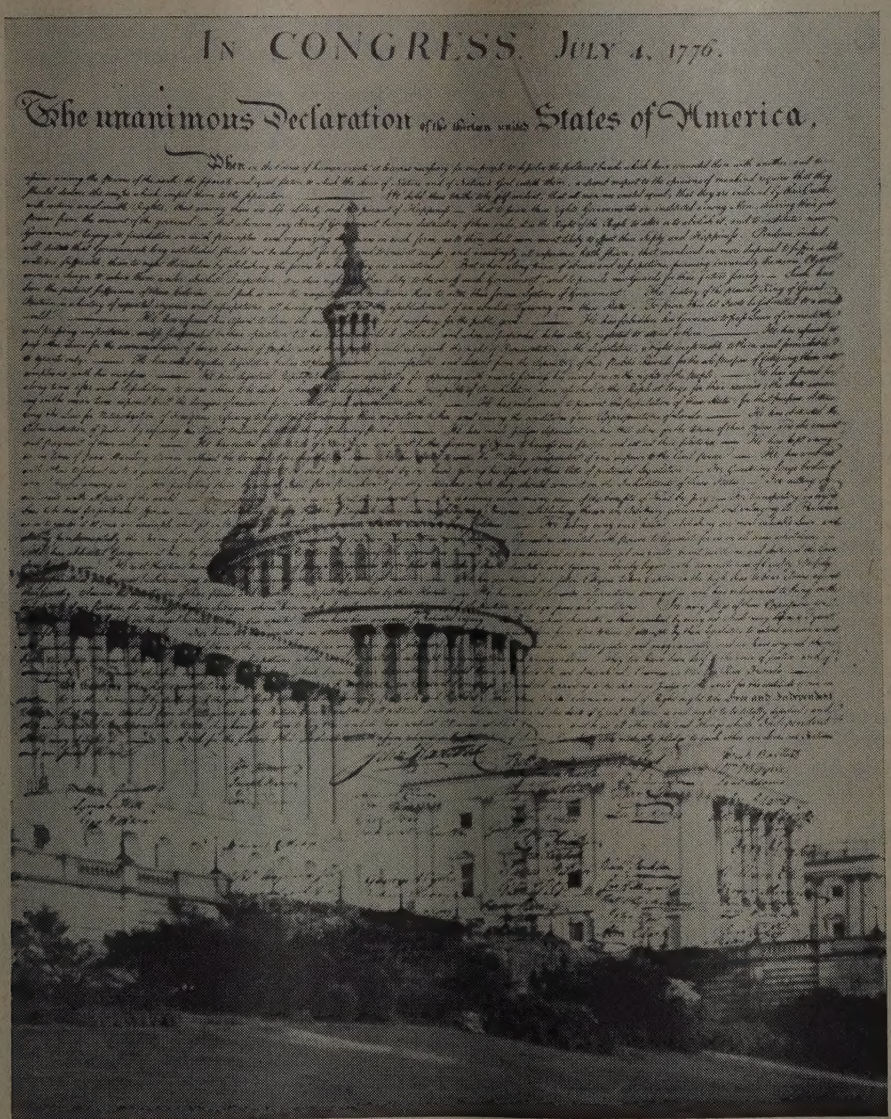
The Declaration of Independence



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"When in the course of human events . . ."

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Again the Macedonian Call goes forth to ELC pastors, 33 years of age or under, to apply for appointment as Air Force Chaplains. Applications should be made before 1 October 1955.

If the National Lutheran Council Churches do not fill the chaplain spaces (32 in number) allotted to them by December 1 this year, the unfilled spaces will be taken away from NLC Churches and given to non-Lutheran denominations. This ought not, must not, happen.

Contact the Military Chaplaincy Commission, 421 S. 4th St., Minneapolis 15, Minn.

PERSONS

Dr. Odd Gornitzka, instructor at the Minneapolis Lutheran Bible Institute, recently terminated sixteen years of service as president of the American Santal Committee. The new president is Dr. John Stensvaag, professor at Augsburg Seminary, Minneapolis. Among the new members of the committee is **the Rev. F. R. Lien,** Windom, Minn.

The Rev. Joel C. Jorgenson, pastor since 1951 of the Immanuel-North Prairie parish, Scarville, Iowa, has accepted a call to Rembrandt, Iowa, and will move there Sept. 1.

The Rev. and Mrs. L. J. Floren are spending the summer in Norway; they will return to their home in Seattle, Wash., in September.

Mrs. Peter Fossum, Northfield, Minn., has been re-elected president of the Southern Minnesota District Women's Missionary Federation.

The Rev. J. A. O. Lien, Mt. Sterling, Wis., will early in August move to his new parish, St. Mark's in Madison, Wis.

The Rev. John Maakestad, Fairbanks, Alaska, will in July move to the Anna Huseth Memorial Mission, Shishmaref, Alaska. His successor in Fairbanks will be **the Rev. Jesse W. Thompson,** lately ordained.

The Rev. O. K. Davidson, until lately pastor of Emmanuel Church, Tacoma, Wash., began June 1 his new duties as superintendent of the Josephine Sunset Home, Stanwood, Wash. Before his leaving the Tacoma parish the congregation held a farewell reception for him and his wife, presenting them with a money gift.

The Rev. and Mrs. P. L. Mork, Clarkfield, Minn., were honored by his parish June 12th, the occasion being a double one: the 25th anniversary of their wedding and also of his ordination. A substantial money gift was presented to them. Speakers were the Rev. Harry Stoutland, Huxley, Iowa, a seminary classmate of Pastor Mork, and the Rev. A. N. Skogerboe, Erskine, Minn., Mrs. Mork's father.

The Rev. Hector Gunderson, pastor of Lake Edge Church, Madison, Wis., and wife Anna, nee Strandness, celebrated their silver wedding June 12. It was also the 25th anniversary of his ordination.

DISTRICTS

Eastern

Hawkins, Wis. On June 12 the Hawkins parish, served by the Rev. Eldred R. Peterson, received 74 new members. Since the beginning of the present year 103 new members have been received, 28 by baptism and 17 by confirmatio

Worcester, Mass. Highland Stre Church, parish of the Rev. Philip Nieft, held on June 5 a reunion servi and reception for the 166 persons w during the last forty years have be confirmed or baptized as adults in t congregation. Greetings were receiv from earlier confirmands in nine stat Guest speaker was the Rev. T. V Maakestad, Teaneck, N. J.

Janesville, Wis. Faith is the nam selected for a new ELC congregati to be organized in this city. The past of this new church will be the Re O. B. Anderson formerly of Sioux Cit Iowa. He will begin his work in Jane ville early in August.

South Central

Radcliffe, Iowa. Rural Bethan Church has merged with Our Saviou Church in Radcliffe. Pastor of the pa ish is the Rev. A. I. Kvamme.

Roelyn, Iowa. Fulton Church, present a part of the Callender paris broke ground on May 29 for the ere tion of a new parsonage in anticipati of its becoming an independent paris in March, 1956. The Fulton Churc has within the last four years had 60% increase in membership. Presen parish pastor is Ronald M. Jensen.

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V.A. CHAPLAINS RECEIVE AWARDS

In the accompanying picture the Rev. Carl Plack of the National Lutheran Council sta (left) is presenting awards for long and efficient service in the Veteran Administratio Chaplaincy to the Rev. M. B. Tollefsrud, chaplain at the V.A. Hospital in Minneapoli and to the Rev. Mr. Hammer of New York. The presentation was made at a recen chaplains' conference in Detroit.

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,040 Broadcasts

Doug Marlowe

he dollar went far in South Dakota in those days of e mid-30's.

You could buy a pound of good beef or pork for just nnies. Other food costs and clothing were way down. adio time didn't cost much either.

Yes, the dollar went far in those days.

But there just weren't many dollars.

Agriculture was, and is, South Dakota's economy. 'hile townfolk could buy food and other staples for most nothing, farmers were getting even less for what ey had to sell. And when the farmer didn't have oney, few others did.

No, there just weren't many dollars.

hat was the problem facing the Reverend H. A. Okale on a February morning in 1936. His radio ministry om Watertown Grace Lutheran Church—now just vo months old—looked very much like it was at an nd.

It hadn't been easy for Mr. Okdale to get his regular unday morning services on the local radio station. Not veryone in the Grace Lutheran congregation had as uch faith as he in the potentiality of radio as a medium r spreading the Word of God.

Months passed before Mr. Okdale's enthusiasm finally nvinced the church board. But when the first broadst went on the air December 1, 1935, the board's enusiasm was just as great as his.

The board gave its approval to bring God by radio to

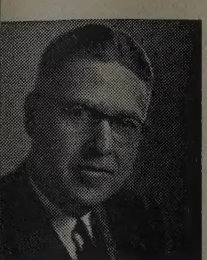
The Rev. H. A. Okdale

northeastern South Dakota, but only with the stipulation that Pastor Okdale be personally responsible for financing the project.

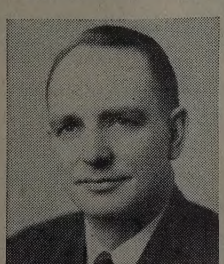
That meant that he couldn't use funds in the church budget. However, he was permitted to solicit money for the broadcast from members of the Grace Lutheran parish. He obtained enough to purchase two low-quality microphones, hire one of the radio station engineers to build a make-shift amplifier, and pay for the first two broadcasts.

That was all Pastor Okdale needed. The broadcasts were scheduled, equipment installed. And when he stood in the pulpit that December 1st morning addressing his new-found radio congregation, he was positive they would respond—with pennies, dimes, and quarters to keep the broadcast on the air.

PASTORS WHO HAVE CONTINUED THE RADIO SERVICE



Oscar C. Hanson



Boral R. Biorn

Conrad M. Thompson

Carroll L. Hinderlie

Norman Hammer

Grace Lutheran Church, Watertown

But financial response didn't come. There just weren't many pennies, dimes, and quarters, to say nothing of dollars.

There *was* other response.

"Please continue the broadcast."

"It means so much to my father."

"We are praying that the program will remain on the air."

These were some of the comments in the early letters. Mr. Okdale read them and with faith did as they requested—remained on the air.

Two weeks later future of the broadcast was assured permanently. A member of the Grace Lutheran congregation, G. A. Gilbert, volunteered to pay the deficit for the first year's broadcasts.

After that it was easy. South Dakota's agriculture passed the gloomy thirties, into the prosperous forties. And those persons who, before, could respond only with thanks began to build up the radio-broadcast budget, with dollars.

Today, twenty years later, the Grace Lutheran Hour is still on the air. The July 9, 1955, broadcast marks the 1,040th program, one of the nation's oldest continuous radio ministries.

The Grace Lutheran Hour is broadcast each Sunday morning at 11:00 A.M.-12:15 P.M., over KWAT, Watertown, 950 kc, 1,000 watts. A recent Conlan Radio Listening Survey showed the broadcast with a 47.3 rating, almost half of the radio audience at that time in northeastern South Dakota and western Minnesota. The rating is more than double that of any other program on any other station at the same time in this area.

The Grace Lutheran Hour has come a long way since the inspired origination by Pastor Okdale. The church's broadcast now is considered a major functio and Pastor Okdale holds a secure place in the hea of the radio and church congregations. A measure that respect is shown in ceremonies held October 3, 19 when the church observed its 1,000th broadcast. Past Okdale's son-in-law, the Reverend Cecil J. Tellekso delivered the Radio Festival address. Pastor Tellekso serves the Trinity Lutheran Church of Green Ba Wisconsin.

Mr. Okdale left the Grace Lutheran parish in 19 Since then, five pastors have served the radio-congreg tion he left behind. Each has respected and fulfilled th hopes Mr. Okdale held for the broadcast.

Last October in a special 12-page edition of the chur bulletin, the five paid tribute to the broadcast:

Pastor Oscar C. Hanson, 1937-1941—"God gave o good friend, the late Pastor H. A. Okdale, and th leaders in the congregation vision, faith, and courage undertake a broadcast of the Sunday morning's wo ship. For 1,000 times, over the air waves, God's voi has gone out to call souls—young and old, in the cit in the village, and in the country—to come to Jes Christ and be saved. The many letters indicate only part the number of sick, dying, weary, troubled, car less, and indifferent who have been led to salvatio peace, and new life at the Cross of Jesus through the broadcasts."

Pastor Boral R. Biorn, 1942-1949—"May I, along wit you, offer my thanks to God for this unusual event an the accomplishment that it commemorates. In the sto that Jesus told about the good seed that was broadca He said that some fell by the wayside, some fell upo rock, some fell among thorns, and other fell on goo ground. The sowing was done in faith, even though th one who did the broadcasting realized that much see would not grow due to a variety of circumstances. S we also preach the Word because some of it does fa on good ground."

Pastor Conrad M. Thompson, 1949-1952—"John We ley's visionary statement, 'The world is my parish,' mu have been in the mind of the Reverend H. A. Okdal and the Grace Lutheran Church when they originate the broadcasting of its worship services. Truly, this the Church's only purpose for existence—to bring Chris to people and people to Christ by every possible mean available, including radio. Only God knows the spiri ual fruits which have come as a result of the preache Word across the airwaves. A polio victim in Minnesot wrote and said that she joins Grace Lutheran in wo ship each Sunday and she called it 'my church.'

"The last Sunday I preached in Grace Lutheran as it pastor a man wrote and said, 'After today's messag I, too, am a Christian.' A ward of tuberculosis patient in Northern Minnesota used to write regularly tellin

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WF Assembly Planned

e Lutheran World Federation's third Assembly to be d in Minneapolis in 1957 will offer an opportunity emphasize "dramatically and powerfully the vastness our Church, the richness of our heritage, the pre-nderance of what we share in common . . . and uld be a tremendous landmark to carry us forward greater co-operative action and service."

That was the opinion voiced by Dr. Paul C. Empie, cutive director of the National Lutheran Council, as addressed a rally of Lutheran pastors and laymen of Twin Cities on June 9.

The rally climaxed a two-day meeting here of the 21-mber arrangements committee for the Assembly (pic-ed below), at which detailed planning was launched the first international gathering of Lutherans on the rth American continent.

Dr. Empie said the Assembly is intended to "introduce d interpret world Lutheranism to the American pub-as it has never been done before."

Adding that the sessions will also help Lutherans to "know and understand each other better," he expressed the hope that the Assembly will help to create "a genuine spiritual renaissance among Lutherans in this country."

Dr. Carl E. Lund-Quist, executive secretary of the LWF, pointed out that the Assembly will bring together some 500 delegates and official visitors from the federation's 56 member churches in 29 countries, ranging from Indonesia to Iceland, and from Austria to Australia. In addition, thousands of American Lutherans are expected to attend during the ten days the LWF will be in session.

At its meeting, the arrangements committee accepted the recommendation of the LWF's executive committee that the Assembly be held from August 16 to 25, 1957, opening on a Friday evening and closing on the afternoon of the second Sunday.

The committee named Dr. Paul Luther Wetzler, pas-

(Photo, Augustana Lutheran Church Audio-Visual Service)

mbers of the 21-man Committee on Arrangements for the Third Quinquennial Assembly of the Lutheran World Federation, scheduled to nvene in Minneapolis, Minn., August 16-25, 1957, are shown here during their session to lay plans early in June. Front row, from left: Abdel Ross Wentz (ULCA), Gettysburg, Pa.; Dr. E. Clifford Nelson (ELC), St. Paul, Minn., Assembly director; Dr. Paul L. Wetzler LCA), Minneapolis, Minn., committee chairman; Dr. Carl E. Lund-Quist, Geneva, Switzerland, LWF executive secretary; Dr. Oscar A. nson (Aug.), Minneapolis; and Mrs. Carmen Mitchell (ELC), Minneapolis, pro-tem secretary of the committee. . . . Second row: Rev. A. Kraabel (ELC), Minneapolis; Miss Ellen Erickson (ULCA), Minneapolis; Dr. A. H. Ewald (ALC), St. Paul; Dr. F. Eppling Reinartz LCA), New York; Dr. Alfred Jensen (AELC), Des Moines, Ia.; and Rev. Raymond W. Wargelin (Suomi), Fairport Harbor, Ohio. . . . rd row: Rev. E. J. Cornils (ALC), Columbus, Ohio; Rev. Oscar A. Anderson (ELC), Moorhead, Minn.; Rev. Arthur S. Johnson (ELC), er Falls, Wis.; Rev. K. M. Matthiesen (UELC), Minneapolis; Dr. E. S. Hjortland (ELC), Minneapolis; and Mr. Cyrus Rachie (ULCA), nneapolis. . . . Not shown on picture: Dr. M. C. Rieke (ALC), Columbus, Ohio; Dr. Melvin Lundeen (Aug.), La Grange, Ill.; Dr. Martin rlson (Aug.), Minneapolis; the Rev. Merton P. Strommen (LFC), Minneapolis; and Dr. Paul C. Empie, National Lutheran Council, New rk.

tor of Salem English Lutheran Church, Minneapolis, as its chairman, and elected Dr. E. Clifford Nelson, professor of church history at Luther Theological Seminary in St. Paul, as assembly director. He will serve full-time during 1956-57.

A tentative program schedule for the Assembly includes daily matins, morning plenary sessions on the LWF's areas of work, afternoon special interest discussion groups, and evening meetings on evangelism, stewardship, world missions, world service, and a youth rally.

Climax of the Assembly will come with a huge outdoor rally on Sunday, August 25, featuring a program of music, speakers, and pageantry. This final conclave is scheduled for the proposed new Minneapolis baseball park in Bloomington, and is expected to attract a capac ity crowd of 45,000 from the Upper Midwest.

Dr. Lund-Quist announced the latest formulation o the Assembly theme by the LWF's Commission o Theology as "Christ Frees and Unites," but stressed tha the wording is tentative and subject to almost certai change.

Dr. Nelson said the goal and purpose of the Assembl will be "to guide the biblical-theological discussion o the theme to its natural consequences, namely, to facing of the question of church fellowship and servic by the Church in the world."

The second meeting of the arrangements committe has been set for next February in Minneapolis.

—NLC News Bureau

Fortnightly Review

Fredrik A. Schiot
President, ELC

Los Angeles, California; Madison, Wisconsin; Williston, North Dakota; Fort Dodge, Iowa; Bemidji, Minnesota; Sioux Falls, South Dakota; Parkland, Washington; Billings, Montana; Saskatoon, Canada; Northfield, Minnesota. These towns and cities were hosts to The Evangelical Lutheran Church district conventions, the first one meeting in Los Angeles in April and the last one at Northfield June 14-16. The district presidents asked me to visit each convention; and, while the connections were close in a couple of instances, this was done.

Except for the Canada District convention, the visit at each one was limited to one or two sessions, usually a joint session with the Women's Missionary Federation. Attendance was excellent, and at some of the districts it established a record.

In the district meetings the emphasis was on Christian Education, with the presentations anchored in Ezra 7:10. The Women's Missionary Federation meetings found their theme in the story of the man from whom Jesus drove out many devils and bade him, "Return to thine own house, and show how great things God has done unto thee," as recorded in Luke 8:39-40. The polarity supplied by these two themes is a healthy one. We are called to make disciples by teaching, and to testify of the great things God has done for us. If this zeal and concern should flag, it would not be long before our Church would suffer hardening of the arteries.

It is cause for thanksgiving to observe the dedicated enthusiasm among pastors, congregational representatives, and WMF members. It showed itself in appreciation of the P-T-R missions; in readiness to consider the Seminary Development needs; and in eagerness to begin the Stewardship Department's suggested congregationa pledge system for benevolence giving in 1956 instead o the old budget quota assignments. There was quiet satis faction in the report of how the departments of th Church are investing benevolence gifts. The progres report of the merger negotiations elicited few questions It was evident that our people feel that the extende discussion which took place at the biennial convention last year answered the questions that had concerne the Church. There was some evidence of impatience that our people expect the Union Committee to have the proper union documents ready for submission a the convention next June.

Terms of office expired for seven district presidents each of whom was re-elected. Our Church owes these men and their faithful fellow district officers and com mittee men a hearty thanks. The "D.P.'s," as they are termed, are the men who have been called "to watch over the churches." They are pastors to the pastors overseers of the congregations, and Home Mission super intendents, working with the Home Mission Depart ment in the planning of new congregations. As we thank these workmen, we want to salute their wives Most of the time they have to remain behind, but they have cheerfully accepted the status of "D.P. widows" and back their husbands with prayer from the hearth side.

As we rejoice and thank God for what He has given us in and through our Church, let not our affections stop with the organization which we know as the ELC lest in doing so we fail in our love of Him who is the Lord of the Church.

EDITORIALS

Heralds Abbreviated

eaders of some years standing are acquainted with ır practice of running 16-page issues of LUTHERAN ERALD during July and August and know the reasons. or newer members of our readership family, we wish explain that two considerations make the abbreviation ecessary. First, the magazine runs a sizable deficit ch year. A few smaller issues help to keep the deficit ithin bounds. Secondly, the shops at Augsburg Pubshing House close for two weeks in July. The resultg disruption of printing schedules can be met most sily with smaller issues.

What's the Name, Please?

n office visitor suggested this editorial. Said he, "Did ou know that Dr. Schiotz was nominated last June be president of the Eielsen Synod, was declared elected the presidency of our Church, but was installed as resident of the Eielsen Synod?" To our reaction of rprised ignorance, he responded by saying that it was l due to the fact that lots of folks just do not seem to now the name of our Church. Thus, one of the nomiating speeches named the presidency of the "Evanelical Lutheran Church in America" as the office about be filled. That happens to be the corporate name of ıe so-called "Eielsen Synod," a group of Norwegian rigin which is listed as having four pastors, 12 conregations, and a baptized membership of 1,530. When r. Schiotz was elected, Dr. Aasgaard properly deared him elected to the presidency of The Evangelical utheran Church. However, our visitor insists, at one oint in the service of installation the Eielsen Synod's ame got in again some way.

So, concluded our visitor, while it is readily admitted ıat the convention accomplished what it set out to o, it might be well if people would learn the correct ame of the Church to which they belong. Reminding s that "a rose by any other name would smell as sweet," et his opinion was that this particular "rose" should e called a rose, not something else.

The editor will be the first one to agree that he can ink of a great many subjects more important than is one. Yet, since the question has come up, suppose e state what the name of our Church actually is. It is mply this: "The Evangelical Lutheran Church." Just ıat, but all of that. "Just that," in the sense that it is ıcorrect to append "of America" or "in America." All of that," in that the word "The" (capitalized) is an integral part of the name of the Church and should, strictly speaking, always be included.

No one is going to become very much excited when some one inadvertently leaves out the "The" or appends an "in America." Yet we agree with our office visitor that things might just as well be done correctly, and, correctly stated, the name of the Church is The Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Canada Addendum

Since last week's editorial on The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Canada was written, we have received some information from its president, Dr. Mars A. Dale, which will serve as an "addendum" to the figures we gave.

Dr. Dale writes: "There are 69 pastors in the Canada District. Of this number six are in our schools (four American citizens and two Canadians). Of the 63 parish pastors, 57 are Canadian citizens, 50 of whom graduated from our Canadian Seminary. We have 14 Canadian missionaries on the foreign fields."

The Refugee Situation

Chief purpose of this paragraph is to remind our readers of the meaning of the table which appears below. (Similar tables have appeared in the past several issues.) As we stated some weeks ago, there is deep concern among those who are representing us in the Lutheran Refugee Service because "assurances" are coming in so slowly. The thought is that the constant repetition of the facts will serve to keep us reminded of our duty.

We suggest that, each time the table appears, special attention be paid to the number of assurances received during the week. For each refugee there must be an assurance. That is our responsibility. As matters are developing, the "log jam" is broken as far as moving the refugees is concerned. What a tragedy it will be if the day comes when more refugees can be admitted than there are assurances!

Progress Report
LUTHERAN REFUGEE SERVICE
June 13-17, 1955

Assurances	
To January 1	2,220
June 13-17	46
Total Assurances	3,658
Arrival of Refugees	
To January 1	61
June 13-17	77
Total Refugees Arrived	734

They Called Him "Baba"

Rolf A. Syrdal
Director of Foreign Missions

Dr. Johannes Astrup was laid to rest at Untunjambili, Zululand, South Africa on June 10, 1955. His last resting place is in the shadow of the monument erected to the founder of the mission, Dr. Hans P. Schreuder. This fact in itself pays tribute to the man who has lived in Zululand since 1883 and has served as a missionary in that land since 1896. He has, more than any man in this generation, personified the South Africa mission in its contacts with the natives, with his home Church, and with government officials. He was the "grand old man of the mission," serving as superintendent of that mission field for over 25 years.

Dr. Johannes Astrup was born in Oslo, Norway, December 3, 1872. His father, the Rev. Nils Astrup, was pastor of the Lutheran Church of Norway in Nordalen at the time that the founder of the mission, Bishop Hans P. Schreuder, died in 1882. The announcement of his death stirred Pastor Astrup to accept the call as missionary, which he had also previously been considering. He went out in 1883 to take the place of Bishop Schreuder, making the trip out together with his wife and five children, including Johannes, who was then 11 years old.

Johannes Astrup was brought up in South Africa. He had his early education in that country, learned to know and love the Zulu people, and also learned to know and love the mission program as it was conducted by his father, who was bishop of the Church and superintendent of the mission. He completed his formal education in the U.S., graduating from Luther College, Decorah, Iowa, in 1893 and from Luther Theological Seminary, St. Paul, in 1896. In 1930 he received the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity from Luther Theological Seminary. Johannes Astrup was married to Bertine Rødsaeter of Manchester, Minnesota, in 1896. This young couple left the same year for Africa where he has served since that time except for a few furlough periods in Norway and the U.S.

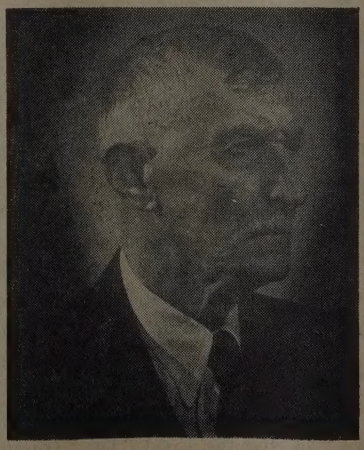
Dr. Johannes Astrup has primarily been an evangelist, reaching out into the Zulu kraals and into the schools and churches of the various congregations with the strong impact of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. His many talents have, however, led him into extended service along many lines. As an able administrator, he was elected and re-elected time and again to serve as superintendent of the mission. His knowledge of the Zulu language and his literary ability caused him to be elected as editor of *Isitunywa,* the union Lutheran Church periodical in South Africa. It also brought him into the leading position on the committee for creating a new joint Lutheran hymn book and a prominent position on the committee for revision of the Zulu Bibl Besides that he has been active in translations into Zul his last work to be completed being the full translatio of Ylvisaker's *The Gospels.*

The activity of translation and production of Zu Christian literature was carried on until shortly befo his death. Theoretically, he has been retired for son years but actually he has been pouring out himself i this productive area of Christian work on behalf of th Zulu people and the Church of the Lord Jesus Chri which he has been along to establish and build.

During pioneer evangelistic work and the continue years of service in many capacities, his stature as Christian gentleman and as a consecrated worker ha been recognized by all who have come in contact wit him. The Zulu Christians, who called him "Baba (father) have adored and respected him as their leade and guide. Pagan chiefs and people alike have come t him for guidance and advice. Government officials hav recognized him as an authority whom they might cor sult in matters pertaining to the Zulu people. He ha been recognized as a leader in Lutheran co-operativ activities. He has wielded an influence that has been blessing to individuals and to the growing Zulu Luther an Church.

Mrs. Astrup preceded him in death and he has bee living alone in his home in Kranskop during the pas few years. His only son, Hjalmar Astrup, and his fam ily are serving on the mission field in Zululand. In thi way the long line of missionaries of the Astrup famil is being continued.

The Evangelical Lutheran Church joins with th Zulu Lutheran Church in paying tribute to this man who has so long and faithfully served as a missionary in South Africa. May God bless his memory and establish the work of his hands.



Dr. Astrup

.utheran Free Church and Merger

National Lutheran Council News Bureau

ontinued participation in merger negotiations with ree other church bodies was authorized by the Lu- eran Free Church at its 59th Annual Conference here, it the ultimate decision on the question was left to the dividual congregations of the 65,000-member denomi- ation.

A better than 2 to 1 endorsement of the proposed form organization of the merged Church carried a proviso at the other groups consider the Free Church's request r continued control of Augsburg College and Theo- gical Seminary, located in Minneapolis.

Final approval of the convention's action is contingent the results of a referendum in the nearly 360 con- egations of the Church. The local churches must port their stand by next December 15 and if three urths of those reporting vote in the affirmative, "the uestion shall be considered carried and the union nego- ations shall be continued."

The delegates, representing the largest turn-out for Annual Conference in the history of the LFC, voted 0 to 202 in favor of the modified resolution, as recom- ended by the Church's Committee on Relations with ther Lutheran Bodies.

Almost as decisively, a few minutes earlier, the dele- ates had rejected a motion to approve the organization- blueprint for the merged Church without modifica- ons. The vote was 426 to 222 against the resolution.

It was this basic pattern for the proposed new Church at was adopted unreservedly last year by the other ree groups participating in the merger discussions— he Evangelical Lutheran Church, American Lutheran hurch, and the United Evangelical Lutheran Church. ogether the four bodies would form a united Church more than 1,800,000 members.

The Joint Union Committee is now engaged in draw- g up a Constitution and By-laws, a Budget and Ar- les of Union and Incorporation in the hope that all most of these documents will be ready for considera- n at conventions next year so that a final vote on the erger may then be taken.

A third resolution before the LFC, calling for recog- tion of the Church as a non-geographical district in e merged body, was not voted upon, as its considera- n was cancelled by the affirmative action on the cond proposal.

alloting on the vital union issue came after 44 speakers d consumed nearly five hours in temperate debate of the pros and cons of the merger as they would affect the Lutheran Free Church's strong emphasis on a minimum of centralized authority and a maximum of congregational freedom.

Of the total, 25 speakers voiced their support of merger, while 19 expressed opposition. Of the former, only four argued directly in favor of the motion that was eventually adopted. Several of those who took an affirmative position on merger said they did so to give local congregations an opportunity to vote on the question.

Prominent among the speakers in favor of merger was Dr. Bernhard Christensen, president of Augsburg College and Theological Seminary, who said, "This is the pathway for larger spiritual awakening for the Lutheran Free Church."

Another strong supporter of merger was Dr. John Stensvaag, who earlier was re-elected vice president of the Church and who is secretary of its merger committee. He voiced the belief that "God will give greater opportunity for expression of our Free Church principles in the merged Church."

In presenting the report of the committee, Dr. Stensvaag urged the congregations "to continue faithfully to serve in the fellowship of the Lutheran Free Church regardless of the outcome of the voting on the merger."

Opponents of merger included the Rev. Clarence J. Carlson, former LFC vice president, who dissented from the 8-1 majority recommendation of the Church's union committee. He said the organizational blueprint "turns the clock back" by setting up "a more strongly centralized kind of church government."

At a later session, delegates defeated an effort to change the rules adopted last year to govern the referendum vote in local congregations.

Some felt that a congregation of ten confirmed members should not have as much voting power as a congregation of 500. Others considered the three fourths majority required for adoption as too high, especially in view of the possibility that a number of very small congregations may defeat the merger resolution and thus block any further participation in the negotiations.

It was pointed out that one half of the LFC's 360 congregations represent only about 8,000 confirmed members, while the other half represent some 38,000. To overcome this inequality, it was suggested that votes be allotted according to the size of congregations, ranging from one vote for those of less than 50 members to

nine votes for those of over 1,000 members. The plan, however, failed to gain the simple majority required for adoption.

The LFC's "Proposal" to the Joint Union Committee reaffirms its adherence to the "Fundamental Principles and Ideals" of the Church and then presents certain "modifying agreements" as possible conditions for merger, among them these:

That after the merger the direct ownership and control of Augsburg College and Theological Seminary shall continue in the hands of the Augsburg Corporation.

That provision be made within the merged body for a continuing fellowship among the congregations now making up the Lutheran Free Church. This fellowship would find its chief expression in an Association which would meet annually and which would have legal authority to nominate members of the Corporation and Board of Trustees for Augsburg College and Theological Seminary.

That members of the theological faculty at Augsburg be nominated in consultation with and upon the approval of "the Augsburg Board of Trustees," before being elected by the general convention of the merged Church.

Dr. Stensvaag told the delegates that representatives of the other three bodies stand ready to negotiate with the LFC along such lines as it may propose.

"In saying this," said a letter from the Joint Committee on Polity and Organization, a sub-committee of the Joint Union Committee, "we wish to testify that our merger negotiations have again and again revealed the Spirit of God at work in our group, reconciling what seemed like impossibly contradictory points of view."

The letter, read by Dr. Stensvaag, went on to say that the sub-committee recognized that the future of Augsburg College and Seminary is "a chief area of concern" for the LFC.

Adding that "the great need for a Lutheran institution of higher learning in the Twin Cities is itself the finest kind of guarantee for the ongoing work of Augsburg College," the committee cautioned that "care would have to be exercised so that any arrangement proposed for Augsburg would not make so sharp an exception as to be manifestly unfair to the other institutions of higher learning in the new Church."

"In conclusion, may we say that this brief statement is a reaffirmation by the Joint Committee on Polity and Organization of its faith that a way can be found whereby your college and seminary may in freedom contribute to the new Church the gift that God has entrusted to Augsburg," the letter said.

Now Concerning the Church

Harold B. Kilda

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
July 10, 1955
Text: Matthew 16:13-19

It finally boils down to this—"Whom say ye that I am" Again, as once our Lord asked, "What think ye Christ?" An answer is required. There can be no sid stepping the issue either. The thrust of the words brin a man face to face with the ageless issues of faith, forgiveness, of salvation in Jesus' name. And that what the Church has been saying right along.

You see, actually, though there may be many defin tions of the Church—and in a sense all of them ma contain elements of truth—there is no Church, and ther can be no Christian Church, certainly, without a rin ing answer to the question posed in the text, a positiv answer, the answer the text offers, namely that "Tho art the Christ, the Son of the living God."

Some folks think of the Church as pastor and peopl or pulpit and pew, or scheduled programs, activitie or dollars and cents. Still others may regard the Churc as a great hoax, the ageless impostor, as a burden upo the people. Actually, rightly understood, the Church people. It is people living in a saved relationship t Jesus Christ and living in a redemptive relationship i their fellowmen. It is people who have come out of th mazes of confusion, out of the trials and troubles o life, who have been walking in the stupor of sin, wh have been confronted with the question of Christ an have answered it from the deep of their souls. That' the Church, really—people who love the Lord Jesu Christ and who have put their confidence in Him as th Spirit led them to the truth, to repentance and faith.

Through the years the Church has become a gran procession of the saved, militant on earth, triumphan in heaven—and all the while the believer has know that the very gates of hell cannot and will not prevai against the Church. Nothing can take faith away fro a human heart or wrest the Kingdom from those wh love the Lord, except it be self—self, yielded to th tempting voice. But whosoever will, can come to Chris revealed in the Word and enter into that relationshi of the saved of God. That's the glory of the Church —founded on faith, living by faith, working and witness ing in the freedom of Christ's grace with heart fixe on the eternal realm of light.

You are the Church, if you are one who truly believe in Jesus Christ. But remember—insofar as churches ar concerned, we will never have them to be what w want them to be until we are ready and willing to work and worship in them as they are. Now, concerning th Church, what is your concern? Amen.

Meditations for the Family Altar

J. R. Hestenes

TOWARD THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

e Epistle: James 2:8-17

The Gospel: Matthew 5:27-37

Monday, July 11
WHICH WAY IS IT?
Read Romans 6:12-13

Yield yourselves to God as men who ve been brought from death to life, and ur members to God as instruments of hteousness.

This passage compels me to take a iare look at myself and to ask: Which y does my life lean? To whom or to iat am I giving of myself? To what I yielding myself and my members? There is a choice of two masters to ve. God or self. If I serve God, all well. If I serve myself, then Satan is ving his way with my life.

The great goal of the Christian life is live yielded to the will of God. To ow that all of my choices and all of r plans are made according to the will God gives the satisfaction that I know at I have been brought from death to e. It means that I am not living "on e loose." I am trying to give what tle I have in return for the great gift od has given to me.

May my life be a dedication to Thee, ssed Jesus. Amen.

Tuesday, July 12
JUST ONE
Read Matthew 18:1-14

"If a man has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray. . . ."

Jesus never yawned in the face of a lot of figures. We may read items such as this: Every three seconds somebody is born in the United States. Every seventeen seconds somebody dies. Then we might say, "Well, that's interesting," and turn the page to something else. In our Scripture passage there is mention of one sheep. There again, our human nature is likely to say, "What's *one* sheep?" Jesus thought that the one sheep was important. In the Parable, the man left the ninety-nine and went searching for the stray sheep. It was just *one*, but it was important.

There are many people who know that they were at one time that one sheep. They are grateful to the Shepherd that He looked for them and brought them safely into the fold. One is important when eternal life is brought into the picture. That is what makes everyone important.

Thanks be to Thee, dear Jesus, for Thy loving care. Amen.

Wednesday, July 13
FRUIT OF SIN
Read Genesis 4:3-16

Cain rose up against his brother Abel, and killed him.

The awful deed committed by Cain had its roots in jealousy. He murdered his brother because he felt that God favored him. Abel was getting all the "breaks," he thought, while he was getting the short end. Cain let his thoughts turn over and over until at last they drove him to murder.

Murder is no new thing among us, and neither is every evil thought that leads to murder, whenever it is given a chance to have its own way. Though we may not be guilty of murder, we must confess before God that we have many times entertained the sins that are related to it. Jesus warned that anyone who thinks evil in his heart is in danger.

In our busy lives, when we deal with many people, we must pray God that we will always be kind, understanding, and thoughtful. We must not speak in haste. We must never act in haste.

Use me, O God, to make peace; to show Thy Spirit, always. Amen.

Thursday, July 14
THE COUNSELOR
Read Acts 5:34-42

But a Pharisee in the council named maliel . . . stood up and ordered the n to be put outside for a while.

In almost every community there is a n like Gamaliel who has the wisdom e people need. In our passage he gave e council sound advice when they were ondering what to do with the Apostles. e told them to "let them alone." If what e Apostles were doing "was of God," ey would not be able to overthrow it.

Every Christian needs some one to hom he can go for advice. A pastor is ways ready to hear of his people's probns and to help them find the answers. every congregation there is at least one rson who is so well established in the th, who has stayed faithful despite a ng life of trial and trouble, that he or e is able to give wise counsel to those ho seek it.

Let us be thankful to God for these unselors.

Thank you, O God, for the mature ristians who live in our midst. Amen.

Friday, July 15
TERMS
Read Luke 9:18-26

"If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me."

Jesus never told those who wanted to follow Him that they should come right along, and that after a while they would understand what it was all about. Rather, He made the terms clear before they took up the life with Him. In this way many were discouraged from "joining up." But Jesus knew that it was better not to start at all than to start and soon quit.

The terms still stand. Modern-day Christianity has been presented too much in terms of "there's really not much to it." Being a Christian is rather easy! But the true discipleship of which Jesus speaks is still anything but that. It is a demanding thing. It asks, not half, but all. It begins with death to self. It takes on the load of the cross of suffering for being a Christian. It calls for a genuine following in the steps of the Master.

I would be wholly Thine, O Jesus, and fulfill the terms of discipleship. Amen.

Saturday, July 16
WITH GOD
Read Genesis 25:7-10

Abraham breathed his last and died in a good old age, an old man and full of years, and was gathered to his people.

There is something rich and beautiful about the account of the death and burial of Abraham. It seems as though God Himself was at Abraham's bedside when he died, and was along with Isaac and Ishmael when they buried him. And indeed He was! Abraham was His man from beginning to end. And Abraham was with God.

From the time of his call to be the Father of his people he was with God. In every bit of his life and in all his experiences, his failures and successes, he was with God. And when his life was over, "he was gathered to his people."

How good it is to be with God! Starting right here. Whether I am peeling potatoes, mowing the lawn, doing chores, tending to a business, whatever it is, it is good to have God with me. And when my life is over, soon or late, I have that promise, that hope—to be with God!

In Thee, O God, is my life. Amen.

Here and There on the Christian Front

Edited by Raymond M. Olso

WARNS AGAINST EXCLUSION OF RELIGION

Governor Theodore R. McKeldin of Maryland, in a commencement address at Mt. Saint Mary's College, said that education which deliberately and rigorously excludes the religious element is "a one-way street that ends in death." "I refuse to call that education in the highest sense," he said. "It is merely intellectual training. I admit that it can produce astonishing results, but so can training in acrobatics or sleight-of-hand.

"I deny that it can produce the highest type of manhood, and I submit that in the present state of the world only the highest type of manhood can hope to lead us safely through the dangers and evils that beset us on every side."

Addressing himself to the Church and State problem, he said, "It is the tyranny of words, not their legitimate power, that has betrayed many of us into accepting the error that separation of Church and State implies an element of hostility to religion in the essential American doctrine. In its legitimate, dictionary meaning, 'separation of Church and State' is completely neutral. It implies no sort of emotional attitude on the part of either Church or State toward the other."

"BLANKET ASSURANCES"

President Eisenhower has asked Congress to permit religious agencies to file "blanket assurances" for groups of refugees rather than to require individual assurances of jobs and housing for each immigrant. The lack of this procedure has been sharply criticized by church leaders as one of the major obstacles encountered by them under the present Refugee Act. Such assurances were permitted under the previous Displaced Persons Act and helped that Act to work out so satisfactorily.

Under the present Act, adopted in 1953, Congress ordered that an individual sponsorship, job, and home guarantee be filed for each immigrant whom a church agency wished to bring to the United States.

The President, in his message to Congress, said: "Where responsible, voluntary welfare organizations are prepared to give assurances with respect to applicants by name it is unnecessary to add the burdensome requirement that individual sponsorship of each such applicant also be provided. I recommend that where such agency assurances are given, individual assurances not be required in addition." He also recommended nine other major changes in the Act to help speed up the admission of refugees into the U.S.

INVITATION ACCEPTED

Patriarch Alexei of Moscow has accepted an invitation from leaders of the British Council of Churches for Churches in the Soviet Union to send a representative delegation to visit Britain in July. In a letter to the Council, Patriarch Alexei said he was accepting on behalf of the Orthodox Church and the other Christian communions of Russia. When the invitation was issued earlier this year, it was with the hope that the delegation would include not only representative of the Orthodox Church, but also Baptists, Lutherans, Armenians and Old Believers.

In his letter the Moscow Patriarch said he was grateful for the opportunity of further strengthening friendship between Russian and British Christians "and of achieving greater mutual understanding among us."

WORTHY OF NOTE . . .

Recognition of the 1933 Concordat between Austria and the Vatican was demanded by the Roman Catholic hierarchy of Austria in a White Paper presented to the government. This move by the Roman Catholic Church followed by just two weeks the signing of a treaty by representatives of Austria and the Big Four restoring the country's independence. . . . The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Maryland called upon its ministers and congregations to "move toward racial integration in congregational life." It also asked them to "exercise constructive community leadership" in the transition to such integration in the public schools.

NEGRO CLERGY CALL ON EISENHOWER

RNS Photo

President Eisenhower is shown with a group of 27 Negro clergymen who called on him to ask him to back up the Supreme Court's decision outlawing segregation in schools. The ministers represented 8,000,000 members of churches affiliated with the National Fraternal Council of Churches. They asked the President to insist that no federal aid be given to schools, hospitals, public housing projects, or recreation areas which practice racial discrimination.

Schools and Colleges

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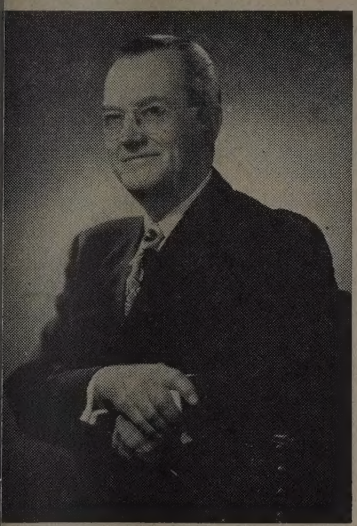

S. G. Reinertsen

r. Alvin N. Rogness, president of ıther Theological Seminary in St. ıul, has announced the appointment Mr. S. G. Reinertsen of Moorhead, innesota, as Administrative Assistant the President, and Business Man-er. Mr. Reinertsen assumed his du-s on July first.

At the present time, Mr. Reinertsen vice chairman of the Board of Chris-ın Education of the ELC, a board which he has been a member since 46. From 1943 until 1946 he served the Concordia College Board as a rector.

Mr. Reinertsen has been superinten-nt of schools at Moorhead since 1926. is teaching career began in 1911 hen he became teacher and assistant incipal at Anaconda, Montana. Since at time he has served as superinten-nt of schools at Lake Mills and Alta, wa; and at Jackson, Minnesota. He a graduate of Augustana Normal hool, St. Olaf College, and Univer-y of Colorado at Boulder.

AUL HASVOLD ECEIVES TWO GRANTS

Luther College senior has received Woodrow Wilson Fellowship and a Danforth Foundation Award for graduate study.

Paul Hasvold, Flandreau, S. Dak., will study at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, this fall as a Woodrow Wilson Fellow. Future study in philosophy will be done under the Danforth Foundation Award.

Elected valedictorian of his class, Hasvold represented 126 seniors in Luther's ninety-fourth graduation exercises.

A member of the Senior Honor Society, Hasvold holds the presidencies of the senior class, the Luther College Concert Band, and Irving Literary Society. Last year he received the Lutheran Brotherhood scholarship. Hasvold was elected to Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.

The appointment of Danforth Fellow is given to young men who are preparing for college teaching in the subject matter field of their interest. They are expected to matriculate at the graduate school of their first choice and to continue on to their doctorate. The men were appointed out of 428 candidates nominated to the Danforth Foundation, St. Louis, Mo., by nearly 200 undergraduate colleges. Three of these appointments went to foreign students now studying in American colleges: a Korean, a German and a Yugoslavian. Fifty-five were American students.

A Council of seven educators recommended to the trustees of the Foundation the men to receive this opportunity. Their decisions were made on the basis of outstanding academic ability, personality congenial to the classroom, and integrity and character, including faith and commitment in the Christian tradition.

The appointment assures the Fellows of financial assistance, augmenting other fellowships and their own resources, through to the completion of their doctor's degree, up to an annual maximum of $1,800 for the single man and $2,400 for the married man. In addition it is hoped that the "relationship of encouragement" with the Foundation will assist the Fellow to become the best-trained, most competent teacher he has the capacity to become.

The program of Danforth Graduate Fellowships was established in 1951. The Danforth Fellow is free to accept any other national fellowship, such as the Rhodes Scholarship, Woodrow Wilson Fellowship, or Fulbright Award.

AMONG THE COLLEGES

Larry Bunde and Mark Stavig, students of Augustana College, are among 30 college students in the United States who received scholarships for six-weeks study this summer at the University of Oslo.

Bunde, a sophomore from Sioux Falls, has chosen to study the Norwegian language, art, and history.

Stavig, a junior from Sioux Falls, plans to study the Norwegian language, literature and history at the University.

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Four chemistry seniors at St. Olaf College have received teaching assistantships which will permit them to take up study toward their doctor's degrees after their graduation from St. Olaf. They are John Helling of Madelia, Minn., who will teach and study at the University of Ohio; Earl Alton of Oelwein, Iowa, who will go to the University of Michigan; Luther Erickson of Pulaski, Wis., who will go to the University of Wisconsin; and Ronald Olsen of Chicago who will carry out his work at the University of Purdue.

Adding those four seniors will bring the number of Oles working on the doctor's degree in chemistry to 27, according to Dr. Courtland Agre, chairman of the chemistry department. The number of doctoral degrees in chemistry given to former Oles now numbers 74, a record among Lutheran colleges, according to Dr. Agre, and also a high mark among all colleges in the nation.

1,040 Broadcasts

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of the spiritual comfort and help the worship services brought them. Every week letters, not only expressing appreciation, but also seeking help and counsel, come to the pastors. You never know who is numbered in your radio congregation. But you have this assurance, that through this medium God meets thousands of people at their point of need."

Pastor Carroll L. Hinderlie, 1952-1954—"For one thousand Sundays in the almost two thousand years of the preaching of the Gospel you in Grace Lutheran have broadcast the mercies of Christ throughout your area. To you God has entrusted the Gospel with its glad assurance of salvation and power of the Holy Spirit unto new life in Christ. All who have received of His Spirit will speak of His mercies in Christ. We cannot keep an overflowing heart of thanks to ourselves; we would that all men would share our joy."

Pastor Norman Hammer, 1954- —"We rejoice in what Christ has done through His people at Grace Lutheran Church as we remember today the effective working of the Holy Spirit through radio, as the Wo has been preached out over the air.

"[But] as your [present] pastor, I am going to a you to forget your successes. Don't make success an e in itself. As you rejoice . . . rejoice that the Word h been spread, that souls have been saved, that the Kin dom has gone forward.

"Then . . . forget the successes and . . . look forwa and upward. May we 'press toward the mark' for t prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. M we, under God's grace and blessing, continue to prea the Word of God effectively."

The Reverend H. A. Okdale would have agreed wi those words of his successor, Pastor Hammer. It w dynamic evangelism that prompted Mr. Okdale begin the unorthodox, uncharted path of South Dako radio ministry in the 1930's. Time established radio conventional, almost as much so as the pulpit.

Were Mr. Okdale living today, he would be in t front, as his successors at Grace Lutheran have be and are, searching for additional means to reach ma and bring his soul to God.

Within the ELC

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North Dakota

Fessenden, N. Dak. The three congregations of the Fessenden parish: Fessenden, Heimdal, and Manfred, gave on June 5 a party for their pastor, the Rev. A. B. Solberg, and his wife, the occasion being the 25th anniversary of their wedding. Money gifts were presented to the couple. On Sunday, May 8, Dr. O. G. Malmin, editor of the **Lutheran Herald,** preached in all three churches of the parish and spoke in the evening at an "Appreciation Night" service of the Fessenden Brotherhood.

Halliday, N. Dak. Spring Creek Church of Halliday and Dodge and Marshall churches, which formerly belonged to the Taylor parish, now form a new parish, served by the Rev. Alfred J. Wiger, lately ordained.

South Dakota

Howard, S. Dak. Bethany Church of the Howard parish recently received fifty new members, five of these by adult confirmation, three by adult baptism. Belleview Church of the same parish received eleven new members. Seven youths of the parish were in June graduated from the Bible department of the Sunday school. New electronic organs have recently been installed in both churches. The Rev. M. E. Ranheim is pastor of the Howard parish.

Pacific

Albany, Ore. Faith Church, parish of the Rev. W. L. Ellickson, dedicated a new Connsonata organ May 15th.

California

Pacoima, Calif. Groundbreaking took place May 22 on the site of a new educational unit to be erected by Calvary Church, parish of the Rev. B. T. Anderson. The building is expected to be ready for occupancy in the fall.

OBITUARIES

The Rev. B. R. Maakestad

The Rev. Benjamin R. Maakestad, Conrad, Montana, died June 5, in his 53rd year. He was born Nov. 19, 1902, at Suttons Bay, Mich., a son of the Rev. John J. Maakestad, and wife Caroline (nee Aslakson), both now deceased. He was graduated from Luther College, Decorah, Iowa, in 1924, and from Luther Theological Seminary, St. Paul, in 1930. He served pastorates at Denver, Colo. (1930-41); Cranfills Gap, Texas, 1941-52; Conrad, Montana, since 1952. He is survived by his wife, nee Sadie Rovang, a brother, and two sisters. Two brothers, also pastors (Walter and Norvald), predeceased him.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

To be given away: A pulpit, an altar rail, and 12 pews by Lakeview Lutheran Church, Highway 61 and County Road C, St. Paul, Minn. Articles must be called for.

Wanted: A church bell, about inches across, by a new congregatio Write, stating size and price, to A. Henryson, Story City, Iowa, or D Clinton E. Hart, 2706 Cherry S Bakersfield, Calif.

The second Annual "Messag Through Quartet Music" meet w take place July 10, 7:30 p.m., at Tri ity Lutheran Church, Vancouver, Was

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In making this announcement, w are not evaluating the contents of th magazine; but we wish our people know that our Church *is in no wa connected with this magazine or i publisher.*

FREDRIK A. SCHIOTZ
President
The Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Lakeshore farm, near Bemidji, Minn. Excellent sandy beach, fair buildings, nice location. Ideal spot for resort or camp. REA, l phone. $5,500; terms. 420-1A

160 acre western Beltrami Co., Minn. farm. acres field, almost level, good soil, nice p. 8 room house, full basement, furnace. rge hip roof barn, modern, other buildgs. Trout stream runs along edge of farm. ose to church, school bus and mail service. 00 down payment, machinery also at sacrie. Widow must sell. 420-2A

320 acre dairy farm located near Minn.-wa border. 275 acres under cult., 30 acres sture, balance woodland. 2 dwellings and rages, over 30 stanchion barn, and silo. 420-3A

345 acre farm, 3 mi. from town, in central innesota. On very good highway. Nice me, orchard and outbuildings. 420-4A

310 acre farm in central Minnesota. Soil s clay base; lots of pasture. Beautiful modn home and barn. Near excellent fishing ce and 5 mi. to town. Also several smaller rms less than 50 acres for sale in central innesota area. Most have modern buildings. eal for semi-retirement. 420-5A

160 acre farm in southwestern Minnesota utheran community. Modern 9 room house th full bath. Good barn and cattle shed. ood soil and natural drainage, 20 acre peranent pasture, balance crop land. 2 wells. 420-6A

omes

2 furnished cottages on Long Lake 12 miles om Bemidji, Minn. 2 years old, on good ad, birch trees, west front lake shore, beach. ectricity. No resort near. 4 pastors are ighbors. 420-7B

120 feet of lakeshore property on north le of Lake Koronis in central Minn. Large, rly old log cabin plus large garage and orehouse. Excellent privacy. 420-8B

Good level lot with 50 feet lakeshore on autiful Lake Koronis in central Minn. Small eping cabin and boat. 420-9B

32x50 two-story log home, all modern, 200 ft. lake front with 33 acres virgin timr on Flathead Lake in Montana. Large ermopane windows, natural stone fireplace, terior in cedar, blonde knotty pine and k. 4 spacious bedrooms, rustic furniture. aretaker's cottage, 2 car port, tool house, rn, corrals, large boat dock, Chris-Craft uiser with 130 hp. motor. Priced to sell $75,000 completely furnished. 420-10B

Furnished logsiding cabin, 21 mi. west of yfield, Wisconsin, for sale at $2,800; terms. acres virgin timber, 100 ft. lake frontage south shore of Lake Superior. Good roads, ectricity. 420-11B

Cottage, boat house, double garage and lots, 50 ft. plus by 190-450 ft. long, all lake frontage, in Wisconsin. 40 ft. road in back of lots, 2 mi. from Lutheran church, good fishing, beautiful place. Must sell on account of health. 420-12B

Businesses

Small cafe for sale in town close to good fishing lakes in northern Minnesota. Price, $4,200. 420-13C

Recently remodeled cafe in southeastern Minnesota all-Lutheran community. Business in same family for over 50 years. Long lease on building. Owner has other interests. 420-14C

Small "Maid-Rite" lunch room for sale in northern Minnesota lake region. Price, $4,000. 420-15C

General merchandise, men's, women's, children's clothing, shoes, notions. New fixtures for sale, nearly new store building for rent or lease. Good location. Lutheran community, ELC church, town of about 1,000 population in north central Minnesota lake region. 420-16C

Hotel for sale, or trade for hardware store or farm. Hotel is located in a northern Iowa Lutheran community, provides nice cash income. 420-17C

WANTED TO BUY

Reliable Lutheran family desires to purchase good, equipped or non-equipped, farm on crop production payments. Good references. 420-18A

POSITIONS WANTED

Steady year-round housekeeping position wanted for adults in good size town. Will consider older or middle-age couple. No children or invalids. 420-19D

Senior seminary couple with 2 children would like to care for elderly person or couple in exchange for board and room, or similar arrangements. Available around September 1. 420-20E

Mechanical Engineer, age 30, desires to relocate in midwest. Will accept position in teaching of the sciences or power plant position. Wife, graduate of Luther College, experienced in teaching and directing of choir. 420-21E

HELP WANTED

Christian woman wanted as housekeeper in Lutheran parsonage, someone who would appreciate a nice home. Must be in good health. 420-22F

South Dakota academy has vacancies in the following teaching positions: Commercial, Home Economics, and English; also, Girls' Phy. Ed. in combination with any of the above. Experienced librarian wanted for summer work in cataloguing library. 420-23F

Social workers needed urgently. MSW degree preferred, work in effective professional service program, opportunities unlimited, good personnel practices. In Wisconsin area. 420-24F

Middle-aged couple wanted for work in Iowa hospital. Husband to manage laundry, wife to assist or act as nurses aide. Housing and board provided. 420-25G

Middle-aged, single man wanted to manage hospital laundry. Experience desirable. 420-26G

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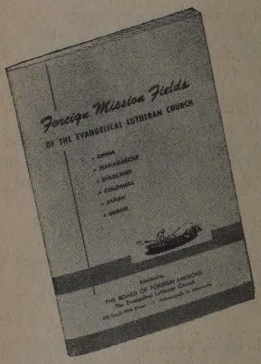

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